Abstract of the Disclosure

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A method and device for editing a video sequence while the sequence is in a compressed format. In order to achieve a video effect, editing data indicative of the video effect is applied to residual data from a compressed bitstream. The residual data can be residual error data, transformed residual error data, quantized transformed residual error data or coded, quantized, transformed residual error data. The video effects include fading-in to a color or to a set of colors, fading-out from a color or a set of color, or fading-in from color components in color video frames to color components in monochrome video frames. The editing operations can be multiplication or addition or both.